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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated September 9, 2003, be extended for three months to and including March 9, 2004.

A continuation application is being filed concurrently with this petition. Enclosed is a check for \$475 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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